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DOT-E 9530  
(SECOND REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2002

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: National Refrigerants, Inc.  
Philadelphia, PA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
  - a. This exemption authorizes the transportation in commerce of certain Division 2.1 and 2.2 gases in non-DOT specification IMO Type 5 portable tanks. This exemption provides no relief from any Hazardous Materials Regulation (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein.
  - b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 173.315, in that a non-DOT specification portable tank is not authorized, except as specified herein.
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on the application of National Refrigerants, Inc. dated September 29, 2000, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

Proper Shipping Name/ Hazardous Materials Description	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
1-Chloro-1, 1-difluoroethanes, R 142b	2.1	UN2517	N/A
Chlorodifluorobromomethane, R 12B1	2.2	UN1974	N/A
Chlorodifluoromethane and chloropentafluoroethane mixture, R 502	2.2	UN1973	N/A
Chlorodifluoromethane, R 22	2.2	UN1018	N/A
Dichlorodifluoromethane and difluoroethane, R 500	2.2	UN2602	N/A
Dichlorodifluoromethane, R 12	2.2	UN1028	N/A
1,2-Dichloro-1,1,2,2- tetrafluoroethane, R 114	2.2	UN1958	N/A
1,1-Difluoroethane, R 152a	2.1	UN1030	N/A
Dimethyl ether	2.1	UN1033	N/A
1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane, R 134a	2.2	UN3159	N/A

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Prescribed packaging is a non-DOT specification portable tank, mounted in an ISO frame, designed and constructed in accordance with ANF -Industrie drawing nos. 46050.990.015 Rev. A dated June 11, 1985, and 46050.191.009 Rev. B dated June 3, 1985, other drawings, technical specifications and calculations on file with the OHMEA and in conformance with the following:

- (1) Code - Conforms with DOT Specification 51 except that tanks are not ASME Code "U" stamped and have bottom outlets; IMO Type 5.
- (2) Insulation - None. Tanks are equipped with a sun shield.

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- (3) Water capacity (U.S. Gallons): 4,438.
- (4) Material: French standard NFA 36 205, designation A 52  
FP, Yield strength: 48,575 psi; Tensile strength:  
73,950 psi.
- (5) Tank Size (inches) (outside dia.)X(length)X(thick.)  
78.74 233.27 0.677(min.)  
Head Thickness: 0.618 (min.)  
Weld Joint Efficiency: 1.0  
Corrosion Allowance: 0.0  
Number of Baffles: 2
- (6) Design Pressure (PSIG): 315.  
Note: Design pressure means "maximum allowable working  
pressure (MAWP)" as used in the ASME Code.
- (7) Test Pressure, Minimum (PSIG): 473.
- (8) Openings: Two (2) 7.5 inch diameter opening for the  
pressure relief devices on the top; one (1) 24.4 inch  
diameter opening for the manhole on the head; one (1)  
8.3 inch diameter opening for the liquid phase valve  
and one (1) 6.5 inch diameter opening for the vapor  
phase valve on the bottom. NOTE: Each bottom outlet  
valve must be provided with a shear section that meets  
the requirements of § 178.337-12.
- (9) Tank surface area (square feet): 441.
- (10) Pressure Relief Devices: Two (2) 2 inch diameter  
spring loaded safety relief valves set at 315 psig.  
Total relief device capacity is 1,437,117 SCFH.
- (11) G-Loadings: Vertical down 2: Vertical up 2:  
Longitudinal 2: and Transverse 2.
- (12) Maximum Gross Weight (pounds): 67,196.
- (13) Maximum Commodity Weight (pounds): 49,868.
- (14) Tare Weight (pounds): 17,328.
- (15) Design Specific Gravity: 1.35.
- (16) Design Temperature Range (°F): -40 to 122.

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b. TESTING -

- (1) Each tank must be (i) visually inspected prior to each trip to insure that it has not been damaged on the previous trip; and (ii) retested and reinspected once every five years in accordance with § 173.32 as prescribed for DOT Specification 51 portable tanks.
- (2) Hydrostatic test certificates for each tank must be maintained by the owner or manufacturer at its principal business office and be made available to any representative of the DOT upon request.
- (3) A test report documenting a satisfactory ISO prototype test for this tank design must be on file with the OHMEA prior to the first shipment.

c. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS -

- (1) Each portable tank must be plainly marked on both sides near the middle, in letters at least two inches high on a contrasting background, "DOT-E 9530".
- (2) No product may be shipped that has venting requirements exceeding 1,437,117 SCFH. The venting capacity required for each product must be determined by the flow formulas contained in Compressed Gas Association (CGA) pamphlet S-1.2.
- (3) The tank must be filled by weight in accordance with the provisions of § 173.315.
- (4) "DOT-E 9530" must be stamped on the metal manufacturer's data plate on the line which reads "U.S. DOT Specification No.".
- (5) For each portable tank, the manufacturer must prepare a certificate which must be signed by a responsible official of the manufacturer and an independent inspection agency certifying that the portable tank is designed and constructed in accordance with the ASME Code and this exemption. The certificate for the first portable tank fabricated must be submitted to the OHMEA prior to the initial shipment.

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- (6) The construction of all portable tanks authorized by this exemption started after January 1, 1986, must be in full conformance with the ASME Code including the "U" stamp.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A person who is not a holder of this exemption who receives a package covered by this exemption may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this exemption and the HMR.

b. A current copy of this exemption must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle, rail freight, and cargo vessel.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

a. A current copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each cargo vessel or motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this exemption.

b. Portable tanks may not be transported in container-on-flat car (COFC) or trailer-on-flat car (TOFC) service except under conditions approved by the Associate Administrator for Safety, Federal Railroad Administration

11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:

- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
- o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

a. The owner of the tanks covered by this exemption must provide to the OHMEA a list of all shippers who have shipped under this exemption and a shipping experience report every six months from the effective date of this exemption. The shipping experience report must contain approximate number of shipments made during the previous six months and any difficulties encountered.

b. The holder or parties to this exemption, as identified in paragraph 1 above, must contact the OHMEA immediately after any of the tanks covered by this exemption are sold to another party.

c. Shippers who ship under the terms of this exemption must report any incident involving loss of contents of the tanks described herein to the OHMEA as soon as practicable.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



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Associate Administrator for  
Hazardous Materials Safety

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(DATE)

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.  
Attention: DHM-31.

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